## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of: Walter L. Peck

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AMENDMENT A

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed on 01/03/2002:

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A plant stand, comprising:

at least one vertical support communicating in a removable manner with the earth; an indentation on said at least one vertical support;

a bend on said at least one vertical support so that the user may apply pressure with their foot to insert said one support into the ground;

at least one indentation in ring attached to said at least one vertical support that has a hook mechanism, for attaching a ring; and

at least one ring attached to said at least one vertical support

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